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## **NEWS**

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## "Hoagy Carmichael" state historical marker will be dedicated in Bloomington, Indiana

A public dedication ceremony for an Indiana state historical marker is scheduled for June 2, 2007. The state historical marker recognizing Hoagy Carmichael will be dedicated at 114 S. Indiana Avenue, Bloomington at 11 A.M Eastern Daylight Savings Time.

The text follows for the state marker entitled "Hoagy Carmichael":

Born and reared in Bloomington, he is considered one of the most important American songwriters of the twentieth century. Began attending Indiana University 1920; graduated with a law degree 1926. Tried law as career, but returned to music. Inducted into Songwriters Hall of Fame 1971. Died on December 27, 1981 in California; buried in Bloomington. Hoagy wrote that he composed "Stardust" in part on the piano of the Book Nook located here. Among his other popular songs were "Heart and Soul," "Georgia on My Mind," "Lazybones," and "Ole Buttermilk Sky," which was nominated for an Academy Award 1946. Won an Academy Award 1951 for "In the Cool, Cool, Cool of the Evening" from Here Comes the Groom.

Everyone is invited to attend this dedication ceremony for one of Indiana's greatest songwriters of the twentieth century.

Historical markers commemorate significant Indiana individuals, places, and events, and they help communities throughout Indiana promote, preserve, and present their history for the education and enjoyment of residents and tourists of all ages. Via the Internet, that history reaches a worldwide audience. For more than 90 years the Indiana Historical Bureau, an agency of the State of Indiana, has been marking Indiana history. Since 1947, the marker format has been the large roadside marker, which has the familiar dark blue background with gold lettering and the outline of the state of Indiana at the top. There are approximately 500 of these markers across the state.

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